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For: **CROSSLINKED POLYMER, METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING IT AND USE THEREOF**

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 11, 2003,  
attached is a marked-up version of the amended abstract, as required by 37 CFR 1.121.

In view of the above and our prior response, each of the presently pending claims  
in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly,  
the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims  
and to pass this application to issue.

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Respectfully submitted,

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